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TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

THE POLITICAL CRISIS.

NATIONAL GOVERNMENT TO BE FORMED.

Settlement of Political Points Postponed.

LORD FISHER BACK AT THE ADMIRALTY.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

THE DARDANELLES.

(Official Telegrams from the British Foreign Office.)

May 19, 4.20 p.m.
The following is an official communication from the General Officer Commanding the Mediterranean Force respecting the operations in the Dardanelles issued at Cairo to-day. General Cox's Brigade repulsed with heavy loss an attack on his position made on May 12. The following day a double company of Gurkhas, advanced over half a mile, the ground thus won was consolidated during the night in spite of every strong counter-attack. On May 16 the Lancashire Territorial Division made considerable progress during the night, and on the following night further advanced. The same day our howitzer battery with the aid of aeroplanes blew up ammunition waggons of the Turkish heavy howitzers and later made a direct hit on a gun in front of the Australian and the New Zealand Army Corps. The enemy's trenches and a new gun emplacement were demolished by howitzer fire, every day sees an improvement in the Anglo-French position. The enemy is reported to have lost very heavily.

May 19, 1.30 p.m.

The following is a summary of the Russian official communiques of May 13, to 19 in the region of Shavli. Fighting develops and we continue to press the Germans very closely and are throwing them back. In a sector between Opatow on the left bank of the Vistula and the whole Galician front, great masses of troops attacked our positions, the region north and south of Przemyel being the centre of their efforts. On the left bank of the Vistula we repulsed furious attacks, and passing to the offensive took 3,000 prisoners and several guns. Near Jaroslav the Germans heedless of countless losses are endeavouring to establish themselves on the right bank of the San. Under Przemyel the enemy is bombarding the western forts with an intense artillery fire at long range. Between that place and the Great Marshes of the Dniester, masses of enemy have in many places reached our entanglements, being scattered by our fire, but nevertheless succeeded after an enormous sacrifice in capturing the trenches of two of our battalions. The enemy losses in general are estimated at tens of thousands. In East Galicia and Bukovina the Austrians evacuated a strongly fortified position from Bystrzyca to the Roumanian frontier, falling back precipitately, and in disorder beyond the river Pruth. The enemy's cavalry was sacrificed to protect retreat. Our vigorous pursuit continues. The great number of prisoners taken by us is being rapidly increased and exceeding 20,000. We have carried Nadworna (West of Kolomes) after a great struggle.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.]

WAR TELEGRAMS.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE DARDANELLES.

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The Press Bureau announces that General Cox's Brigade repulsed with heavy losses an attack on the 12th inst. A double company of Gurkhas on the 13th advanced over half a mile of ground and consolidated the position during the night, despite the strongest counter-attacks. The Lancashire Territorial Division, on the 16th, made considerable progress at night and further advanced the following night. Our howitzers on the 17th, aided by aeroplanes, blew up the ammunition waggons of the Turkish heavy howitzers, the aeroplanes directly hit a Turkish gun in front of the Australian Corps, and also demolished the enemy's trenches and a gun emplacement.

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BRITISH STEAMERS TORPEDOED.

May 19, 5.05 p.m.
A German submarine torpedoed the British steamer Drumcree off Cornwall. She was but little injured and was taken in tow by a Norwegian steamer. The submarine, however, returned, torpedoed and sank the Drumcree, the Norwegian steamer escaping, but she returned and saved the British crew.

The above is significant in view of the announcement in New York, from an authoritative German source, that the submarine campaign had been suspended until Germany replies to President Wilson.

THE DUMFRIES.

May 20, 3.45 a.m.
The British steamer Dumfries has been torpedoed in the Irish Sea. Two were drowned.

RUSSIAN COMMUNIQUE.

May 20, 5.50 a.m.
A Petrograd communique states: The battle on the left of the Upper Vistula and on the whole of the Galician front has attained terrific intensity. On Monday, strong enemy forces in the Opatow region, being hard pressed, fled behind Lwaniska and were vigorously pursued. The enemy in the Jaroslav and Lesakow region succeeded in establishing himself on the right bank of the San. We hold both sides of the river south of Jaroslav. The bombardment of Przemyel continues. We repelled violent attacks between the Przemyel marshes and Dniester, where the enemy was striving for success at all costs. We dislodged the Germans from the trenches which they captured on Sunday. The enemy in the region of Delatyn and Kolomes are exhausted, and we are advancing here, constantly capturing prisoners and booty.

FRENCH COMMUNIQUE.

May 19, 5.30 p.m.
A communique states: Bad weather continues, and there is nothing to report except some artillery firing. Two German attacks east of the Yser were defeated by our fire.

WEATHER STILL BAD.

May 20, 1.10 a.m.
The Paris evening communique states: The weather is still bad, and the fog is most dense. There has been no action anywhere. An attempted German night attack at Bois-le-Prete was immediately checked.

THE KING AT TYNESIDE.

May 20, 3.45 a.m.
His Majesty the King inspected the Tyneside yards yesterday.

CONSCRIPTION SUGGESTED.

May 19, 10.40 p.m.
In the House of Commons yesterday, on a motion for the adjournment of the House, a number of Ministerialists urged the abandonment of the voluntary principle for the Army and Navy. Mr. Tennant, replying, asked the House to remember what such a change would mean, but he did not deny that the time might arrive when such a policy would be desirable.

GERMANY AGAIN BREAKS FAITH.

May 20, 3.45 a.m.
In correspondence issued by the Foreign Office, Sir Henry Howard concludes a telegram to Sir Edward Grey, dated the 3rd inst., by saying, that he regrets to learn that Germany has broken faith with the Vatican, by refusing to carry out the agreement for the release of interned civilian prisoners to which Germany assented on February 28.

WAR TELEGRAMS.

THE BRITISH CABINET CRISIS.

May 19, 6.15 p.m.
Mr. Asquith, in the House of Commons, announced that steps are in contemplation involving the reconstruction of the Government upon a broader, personal and political basis.
Mr. Asquith added that nothing yet had been definitely arranged, but, in order to avoid any apprehension, he wished to make three things clear. Firstly, any changes would not affect the positions of the Premier and Sir Edward Grey; secondly, there would be no change of any kind in the policy of the country regarding the continued prosecution of the war—(loud and prolonged cheers)—with all possible energy and by every available resource; thirdly he said to all parties alike that any reconstruction would be for the purposes of the war only, which indicates nothing in the nature of surrender or compromise of any Party's political ideals.

THE BEST METHOD OF FINISHING THE WAR.

Later 7.05 p.m.
In the House of Commons Mr. Bonar Law said the sole idea of any of the steps taken is the best method of finishing the war successfully. We leave out of our minds absolutely all other considerations, political and otherwise. It is obvious that our political questions will be settled after the war.

LABOUR MEMBERS TO BE INCLUDED.

May 19, 8.20 p.m.
Reuter Agency learns that a meeting of the Labour members at the House of Commons decided to accept Mr. Asquith's invitation to be represented in a National Government. It is understood that Mr. Henderson joins the Cabinet, while Mr. Braes and another member will receive minor posts.

THE HOUSE ADJOURNS.

May 19, 10.40 p.m.
The House of Commons has adjourned till June 3.

NEWSPAPERS CABINET MAKING.

May 20, 10.50 p.m.
The newspapers are Cabinet making, but their forecasts are mere speculation. They are generally agreed that Lord Lansdowne will not take office on account of ill-health. Mr. Churchill will leave the Admiralty, but Lord Kitchener will remain, though he will probably share the War Office with Mr. Lloyd George.
The appointment of Mr. Harcourt as Viceroy of India is favoured. Mr. John Redmond is likely to join the Cabinet as it would be impossible to give an assurance on the Ulster question.
The reconstruction of the Cabinet will be of the most drastic description. Ministers, without exception, have resigned in order to facilitate Mr. Asquith's task.
The Unionists have been offered half the seats, but the Cabinet will probably be smaller and will be really a War Council, as departments not connected with the war are excluded. It is expected that the reconstruction will be completed by June 3, when Parliament will be asked to pass a vote of confidence.

Lord Fisher attended at the Admiralty yesterday for the first time since his reported resignation on Friday.

The crisis was most sudden. Mr. Bonar Law, till Thursday, shared Mr. Asquith's dislike for a coalition Government. Then came the quarrel between Lord Fisher and Mr. Churchill, and the threat of the Opposition to raise a debate on the insufficient supply of high explosives, compared with shrapnel, to the front, of which the Daily News asserts the Cabinet was unaware. Menaced by a Government downfall a few leading Statesmen of both sides—of whom Mr. Lloyd George is believed to be one—were desirous of a National Government, seized the opportunity and averted the peril. The first steps at reconstruction will be taken on Sunday.

At a meet of a hundred Radical M.P.'s last evening there were angry criticisms, but Mr. Asquith appeared and spoke for twenty minutes, reassuring those present. He was given an ovation.

RACING TO BE SUSPENDED.

May 19, 11.00 p.m.
The Government has requested the Jockey Club to suspend all races after the present week, except the Newmarket meeting.

ITALY AND THE WAR.

May 20, 11.50 p.m.
According to a Washington message Italy and Austria have asked America to take charge of their interests in Vienna and Rome respectively, in the event of a rupture. America has consented.

AUSTRO-CONSULS LEAVE ROME.

May 20, 3.45 a.m.
The Koelnische Zeitung states that the Austrian and German Consuls and their staffs have left Rome.

TRADING WITH THE ENEMY IN CHINA.

May 20, 1.00 p.m.
Sir Edward Grey, replying to Sir William Bull, said the Government was considering the total stoppage of trading with the enemy in China. Action would be taken as soon as we were assured that similar action will be taken by Japan.
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TELEGRAMS.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

CONDENSED.

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There were enthusiastic scenes at the Imperial patriotic meeting at the Guildhall to thank the Dominions, India and the Protectorates, for their unparalleled service during the war.

NEWS.

An interesting article on England's military power will be found on page 3.

A rally of the Boy Scouts will take place on the cricket ground on Monday next.

There will be a service at 10.30 a.m. at the Roman Catholic Cathedral on Empire Day.

A short commemorative service will be held at St. John's Cathedral on Empire Day at 9 a.m. when a sermon will be preached by the Bishop of Victoria.

"Our Contemporaries" appears on page 2; Commercial News on page 5, and Log Book on page 6.

DONT FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.
The Quains Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., Annual General Meeting—noon.
The Quains Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.

Tuesday, May 25.
Sale of Household Effects, 6 Torres Buildings, Kowloon—G.P. Lammett, 2.30 p.m.

Peak Tramway Co.—General Meeting—noon.

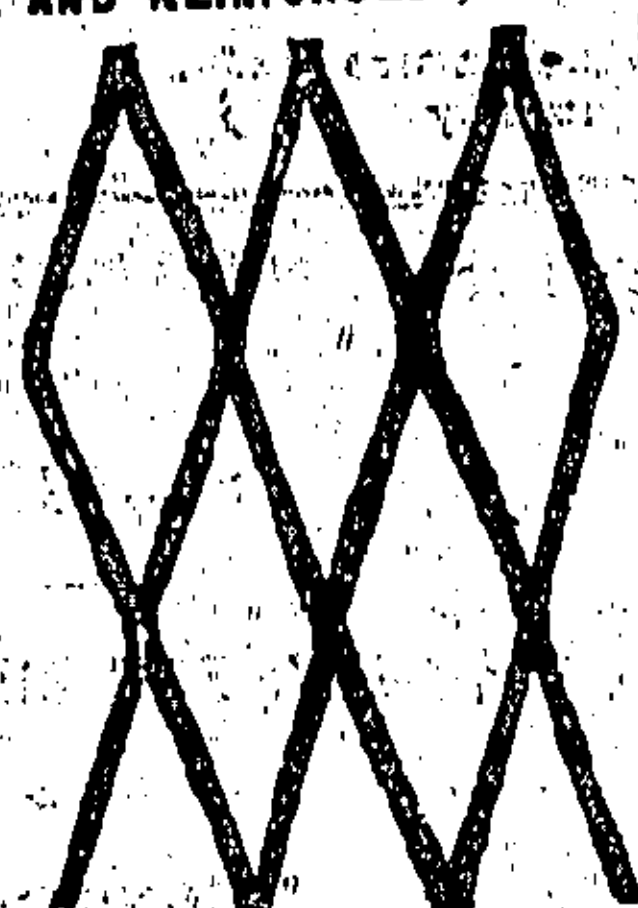
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The "Star" Harry Co., Ltd. Annual Meeting—12.30 p.m.

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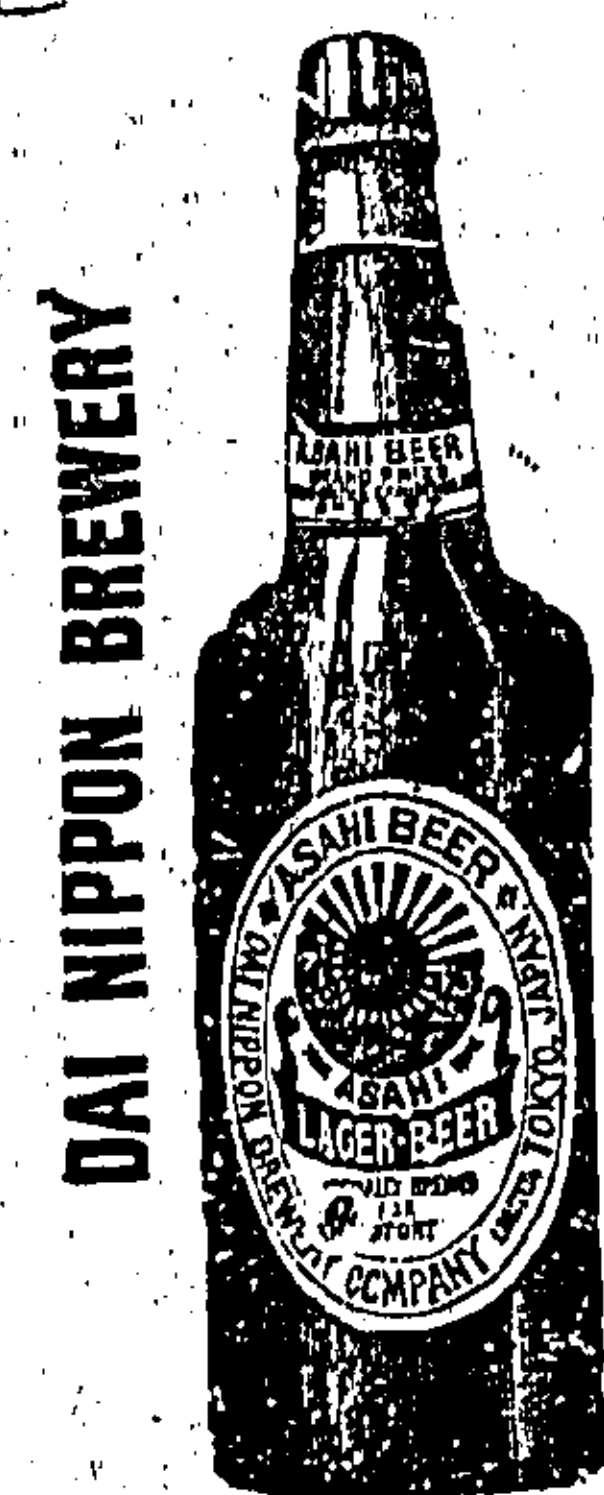
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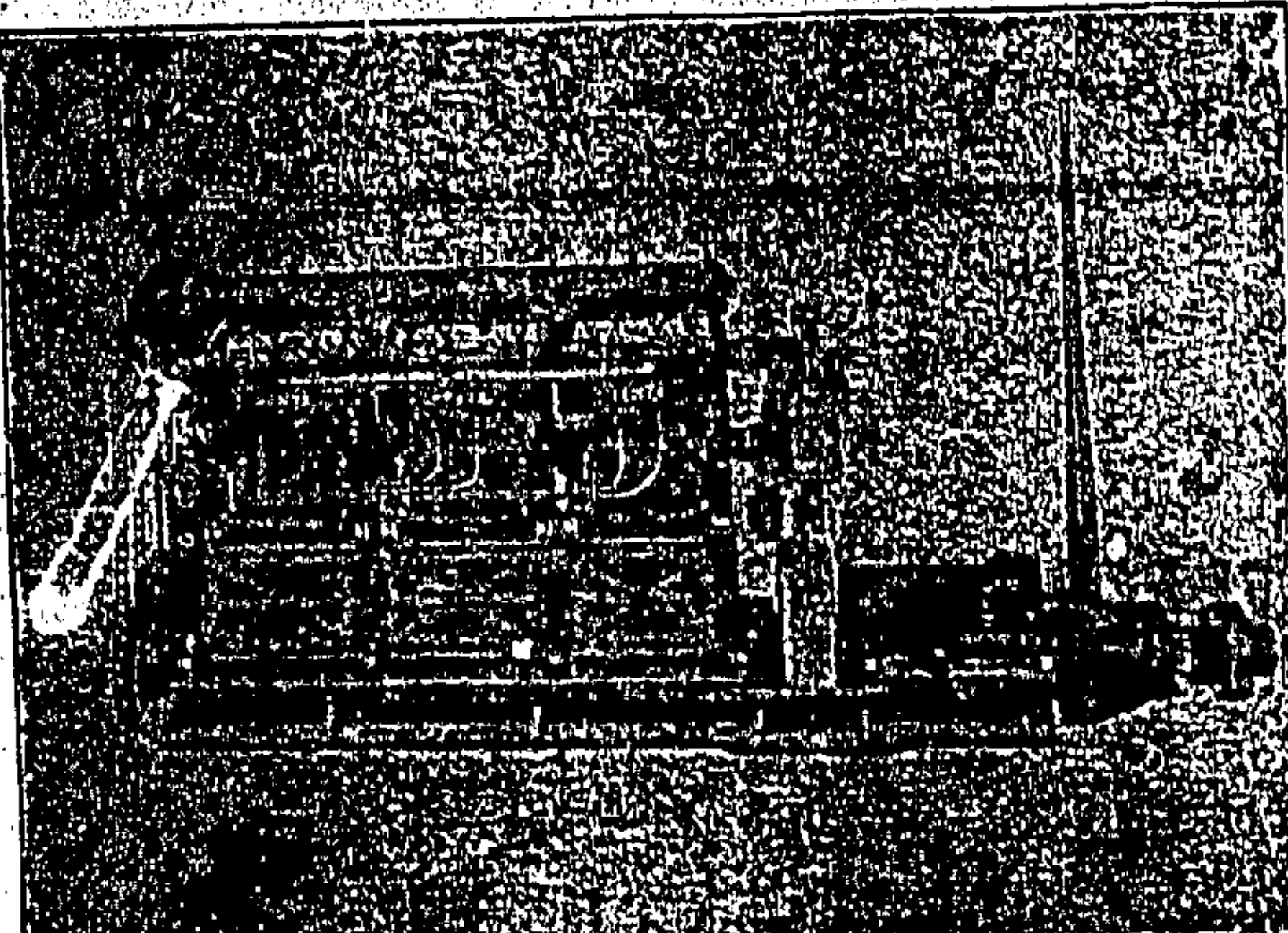
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OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

South China Morning Post.

The Portugal of To-day. The renewed trouble in Portugal forces men to think sorrowfully of the decadence of a once great nation. Less than fifty miles from this Colony is a mournful record of that greatness; for, however, it may be regarded, Macao is interesting only as a relic of days of high enterprise and as an instance of what might have been. Long before Hongkong was thought of as a British Colony it had its obituary to establish itself as a leading, if not the leading, port in the Far East. And look at it to-day—a shapeless collection of dingy gambling dens; that and little more. Yet there was a time when the Portuguese showed enterprise in an astonishing degree and built up a great commercial empire. It has been said that the favourable situation of Portugal on the Atlantic seaboard caused her to become foremost in the sea enterprises of the fifteenth century. But there was more than that; a favourable coastline does not always make a nation a maritime nation.

Daily Express.

The Crisis at the Admiralty. There can be no other feeling than that of deep regret at the news that two such masterful personalities as Lord Fisher, the First Sea Lord, and Mr. Winston Churchill, the First Lord of the Admiralty, have "clashed" to such an extent that the retirement of one, or perhaps, both, from the post they now occupy has become necessary. Lord Fisher, the cables inform us, has tendered his resignation, but it does not yet appear to have been accepted, while Mr. Churchill is already mentioned in current gossip as being marked out for a new post in a Coalition Cabinet. Though the idea of a Coalition, or National, as distinct from a Party Government for the duration of the war has been often suggested, its relation to the crisis at the Admiralty, in connection with which the proposal is mentioned as taking practical shape, is not definitely stated. Ever since the war began, in fact, it has been felt that the sulcior-dination of party politics would find its best expression in a non-Party Cabinet, and it may well be supposed that if the arrangements for a reorganisation of the Cabinet are so far advanced as yesterday's cables suggested, this has been the result of somewhat protracted discussion and negotiation.

China Mail.

The Need of New Markets for British Manufacturers. Although many mountains of conflict must be toiled before we can hope to perceive the dawning of the day of peace, it is yet permissible to look forward to that welcome time, when we may beat our swords into ploughshares. The vision of that desirable consummation raises the question of finding sufficient field on which to employ our new implements, of which there will be multitudes. In other words—to drop our biblical simile—the present need for a great increase of mechanical appliances for producing war munitions will result in the release at the end of the war of enormously increased means of manufacturing peace products, and it behooves the nation to anticipate the greater supply by cultivating now a proportionately fuller prospective demand. This is undoubtedly the crux of the problem to-day, as a writer in Engineering (of April 20) observes, as capitalists hesitate to build the new shops and fit the new machine tools to keep up the enormous supplies for the army while, faced with the certainty of inadequate orders in the future to keep these additions to factories remuneratively employed.

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GENERAL NEWS.

New F.M.S. Industry.

Ipo, May 18.—At a meeting of the Council of the F.M.S. Chamber of Mines, the view was expressed that though there was no shortage of labour in Perak, limited immigration to the extent of replacing wage would not be unwise. A letter was read from the Warlen of Mines on the question of the supply of Molybdenite as a hardener of steel. It was stated that Sheffield before was largely dependent on Germany for supplies of steel hardeners. Now the sources of supply were within the Empire and would be systematically tapped. Molybdenite was known to occur in the Malay Peninsula. —*Straits Times*.

Malacca Plantations Report. London, May 11. The report of Malacca Rubber Plantations show a profit of \$144,000, with a dividend of 17½ percent, carrying forward \$16,000. The French tax assessment over a five years period amount to \$31,000. The report describes the tax as unexpectedly heavy. —*Straits Times*.

Router's New Manager. News has been received in India that Mr. W. B. Bradshaw, who has for many years been Secretary of Router's Telegram Company, London, succeeds the late Baron Herbert de Router as Manager and Secretary of the Company. Mr. Bradshaw has travelled extensively, and held several appointments under the Company in foreign posts in earlier years. He has been the late Baron's right hand man for a long period. His brother Surgeon-General Sir A. F. Bradshaw was P. M. O. in India from 1892 to 1895.

Suffragist or Suffragette.

When does a word become "acknowledged as part of the English language"? The *Morning Post* refuses to allow that status to the word "Suffragette", and in spite of an influential signed memorial asking it to designate the militants by that term, while confining the word "Suffragist" to the law-abiding sections of the movement. Some distinction of the kind is desirable, but we imagine that the indiscriminate public will go on using "Suffragette" in its wider application. Whatever the *Morning Post* and the dictionaries may say, the word has caught the popular fancy.

Singapore Art Club.

Singapore, May 12. The Singapore Art Club Exhibition was opened yesterday by Lady Evelyn Young. It was a most creditable display and there were numerous exhibits, among them some good work. The first prize in Oil was won by Mr. H. D. Jackson; in Water Colours by Mrs. Aldworth; in Black and White by Mrs. Ben Dixon; in Photographs by Mr. Peers; in Applied Art by Mrs. Goodman with Mrs. Wilson second, Mr. Hunter and Mrs. Corbridge. The prize for a design for a frieze was won by Mrs. Aldworth. —*Straits Echo*.

Cost of the Post Office. The estimated cost of the Post Office for the coming year is given in a White Paper published on Monday at £26,838,380, an increase of £130,804. In this sum is included £1,455,548 for the development of the telephone system and £244,331 for the purchase of plant of the National Telephone Company.

Copper Coins at a Premium. The *Sarawak Gazette* hears from Oya that there is a great rage there just now for 1884 Straits Settlements copper money with the Queen's head, and that they are being bought by Sarawak Malays for 15 cents each. In Kuching they are also sought after as they are supposed to contain a small percentage of gold.

Death of Two Bishops. The Bishop of Bedford, Dr. Edward Ash Ware, has died at Litchfield after an illness which lasted several months. Dr. Ware, who was 68 years of age, was formerly Bishop of Derby. Dr. Montague, formerly Bishop of Manchester, and a former vicar of Piddington, and Bishop of Malabar from 1876-1888, has died in his ninetieth year at Roundwood Park, near Tunton.

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If, writes "Roinek" in the United Service Magazine, we ignore ancient times, the statistics of which are not always reliable, Napoleon's mighty incursion into Russia, when he took six hundred thousand troops across the Niemen, is perhaps the most colossal enterprise undertaken by a nation far beyond the confines of its own borders by land: while the war in Manchuria, involving as it did on the one side Japan, the passage of the best part of a million men across the seas, certainly furnishes the most striking example of the other kind.

Despite the fact that to-day the theatre of operations lies but a short distance away, it still remains that vast numbers of men and animals and quantities of material have to be carried over the water, thus involving all the difficulties of embarkation and disembarkation, quite apart from the resources necessary to provide the transport and adequately protect that transport in its crossing.

A feat Unique in History. To place an army of one million men on the Continent is, then, as far as purely material means are concerned, a great feat. From a moral point of view it is even a greater one. War will never be brought home to any people until it is carried into their own country, and to raise by voluntary enlistment each an expeditionary force is unique in history.

Again, the number sent abroad will be re-constantly approached by those remaining behind for Home Defence, and the provision of reinforcements to the armies in the field, so that the total will not fall far short of two millions. And yet greater numbers are already fore-shadowed. When these forces have fully materialised it will be no exaggeration to class England as a great military Power even in a continent of armed nations. The dream, indeed, will have become a reality and that in a period scarcely conceivable.

It is hard to look into the years to come and foresee the time when England shall present to the world the spectacle of a nation unorganised and undisciplined, and therefore, despite her great possessions, without national efficiency in the eyes of her enemies.

Future Bright With Hope. A large proportion of the fathers of the coming generation of Englishmen will have been those who have borne arms in the great war. A large proportion of the mother will be those to whom the struggle

AUSTRIAN SAVAGERY.

Brave Russian Soldier's Tongue Cut Out.

Petrograd, April 4. A despatch received to-night from the Commander-in-Chief says:—In the region of Zalesitrow during the night of April 3, the Austrians violently stormed one of our fortifications with heavy guns, their fire killing almost all the defenders. Their infantry then attacked and occupied the place, but were almost immediately dislodged by a counter-attack made by a Russian company.

The Russian found in the trench one of their comrades who on the Austrian had captured and horribly mutilated. This man, named Alexis Makukha, had been acting as telephonist and on his refusing, when taken prisoner, to give the enemy information of military value his tongue was cut out.

The Commander-in-Chief promoted Makukha on the spot to the rank of non-commissioned officer, conferred on him the Order of St. George of the first degree, and expressed to him his personal gratitude for his strict fidelity to his oath and his duty. The Commander-in-Chief also brought the case of Makukha to the attention of the Emperor, requesting that he should be granted double the rate of pay given to wounded non-commissioned officers of the first class.

SOLDIER MONARCH.

King Albert's Son in the Ranks. Paris, April 7.—A Havre telegram to the *Matin* states that Prince Leopold, the eldest son of the King of the Belgians, has succeeded in obtaining permission to enlist in the Army and has now been enrolled in a regiment of the line which was present at the defence of Dixmude.

On the day that his son was enrolled, King Albert addressed his troops and expressed the joy he experienced in seeing his son a unit of a regiment of heroes. While His Majesty was speaking the sound of the cannon rolled incessantly from the neighbouring battle ground.

will have been brought home by the loss of a father or brother. Its influence on the future of the race will long remain.

As regards purely internal affairs, then, the future is bright with hope. The popular prejudice against the profession of arms will have been largely if not completely broken down. The gulfs between the different strata of society will have been narrowed; for the more the Army is of the nation and not of a caste apart, the more will the different classes understand one another, and the more realise each other's common hopes and interests.

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A BIRTHDAY STORY.

King Albert Succours a Wounded Officer.

Paris, April 7.—A Nantes newspaper publishes the following story: "During a bayonet attack on the Year, a French infantry lieutenant, carried away by his own sword, fell into the enemy's hands. A shot laid him low, and the Germans left him for dead. In reality he was badly wounded and losing blood freely, but by some sort of miracle he managed to crawl away from the immediate scene of the fighting, gained the border of a little wood, and sank down exhausted on the edge of a ditch. Amidst the noise of the combat his appeals for help could not be heard, and presently, overcome by the pain of his wound, he fainted. On regaining consciousness he found two Belgian officers with him, one of whom dressed his wounds, while the other gave him a cordial to drink. Then they lifted him with infinite care and carried him to a waiting motor-car.

The chauffeur was in the Royal livery, for the officer who had fought out the wounded man on the battlefield, had helped to dress his wounds, and now conveyed him to the field hospital, was King Albert himself.

AUSTRIAN BOMBS AMONG WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

72 Killed and Wounded.

Sir J. Roper Parkington, Consul General for Montenegro, has received the following official telegram from Cetinje:—

The Austrians have again been busy with wanton attacks on undefended towns. About half-past four on Thursday an aeroplane passed over Cetinje, and seven bombs were thrown on the market place at Podgorina, killing or wounding 72 women and children. One poor woman gave birth to a dead child before she could be removed to hospital.

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Some Facts About the Pope's Interview.

Rome, April 13.—The *Tribuna*, commenting on the interview with the Pope, says, sarcastically, that "the American journalist Vignat (that is, the German journalist Karl von Wiegand) is well known for his semi-official relations with German upper circles."

After saying that the Pope intended to speak to Americans through an American newspaper, the journal adds: "Unfortunately even this time the Pope's good neutralist intentions have been somewhat compromised by the circumstances in which the interview was granted."

"In fact, the journalist in question is an able German newspaperman who serves Germany in America and elsewhere—this time elsewhere. Those who know the pressure exercised by Germans to induce the United States to propose peace will soon recognise in the Papal interview, as reported by von Wiegand, the same German plan."

"In brief, the able journalist has turned the Pope's pacifist thought into a channel desired by the Germans. In reading the interview the American Government and the public will be struck by a substantial analogy between the Vatican declarations and Berlin demarches."

These repeated attacks on women and children of entirely unfortified towns cause the most intense anger and indignation throughout Montenegro, as no military purpose whatever is served. The ravages of typhus and typhoid are spreading greatly, aggravated by some seventeen thousand refugees from Bosnia and Herzegovina recently driven across our borders by the Austrian troops.

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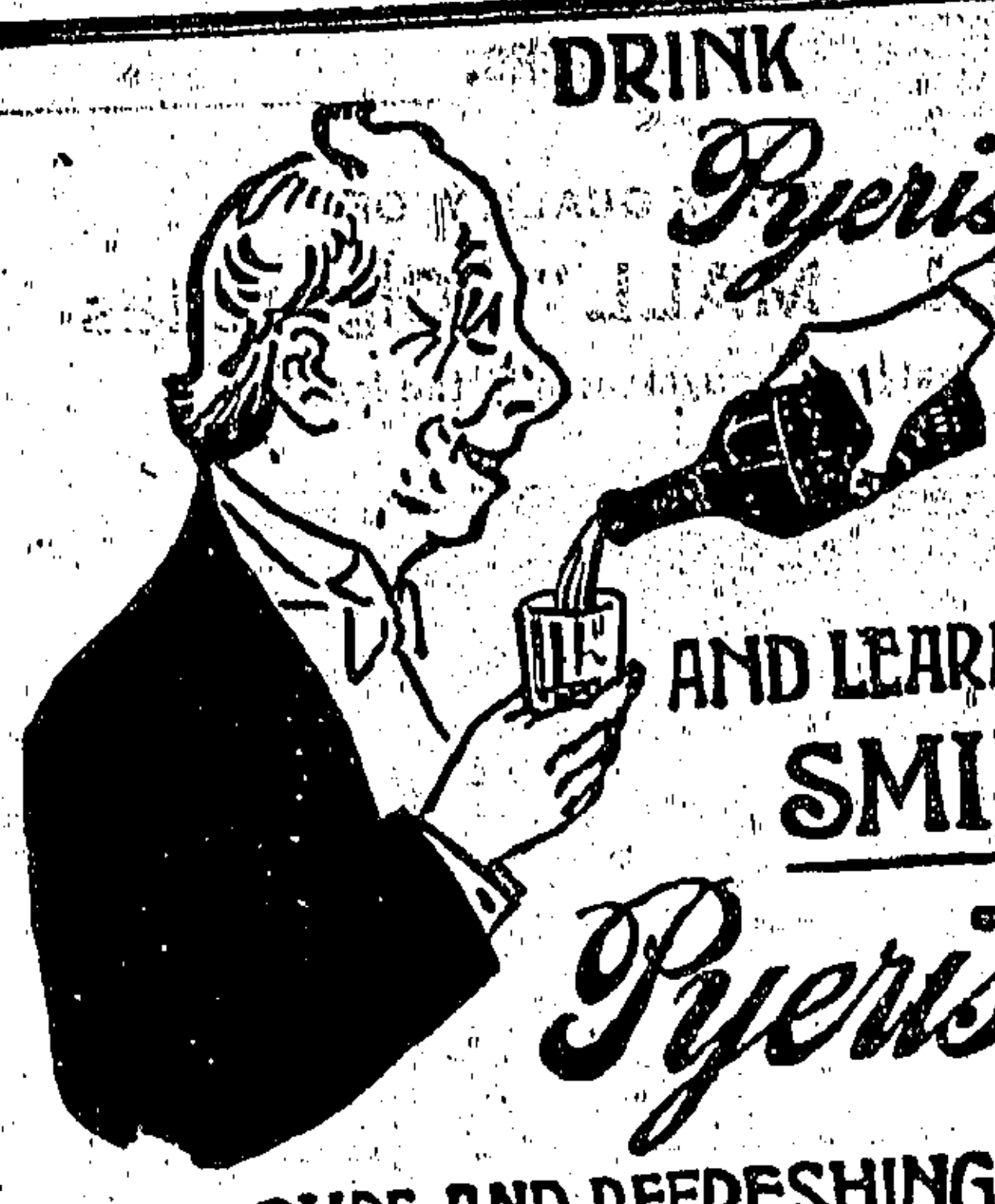
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EXPEDIENCY BEFORE POLITICS.

One of the more distressing circumstances attendant on a political situation such as obtains at Home at the present moment is that it is always liable to give occasion to the enemy to blaspheme. Further, it spreads disquiet among those of our own people who are prone to take alarm needlessly. Since yesterday morning's wire on the subject was published, some hundreds of people in this Colony have expressed their views on the possible Cabinet changes, and from all we can see, the only point on which the multitude can agree is that the crisis—if crisis it may be called—is regrettable. Of course it is regrettable; but so are other evils to which men prefix the term "necessary."

Obviously, at a time like this, party differences are among the things that should be pushed as far behind the screen as possible. Britishers have made up their minds that they are going to put a speedy end to a war which has turned the world upside down, and if, in the combined opinion of those at Home who are in the best position to know, this end can be most quickly achieved by removing Mr. A. from the Cabinet and putting Mr. B. or Mr. X in his place, surely that is the course which should be straightway pursued. If we are going to make a political matter of the position we shall never get to the end of mutual recriminations. Conservatives will contend that no Liberal Ministry has ever yet shown itself able to handle a war, and Radicals will reply with the scathing question: Are the Conservatives of to-day capable of forming a rational Ministry, whether for war or for peace? This is not the time for exchanging pleasantries of such a description. We want to see the war prosecuted to the best advantage and finished as quickly as may be; therefore if that can best be brought about by the elevation of a Conservative to the Admiralty, a Radical to the War Office, or a man of no political bias whatever to the Colonial Office or the Premiership, why should this not be done?

Before any change is made, we may be sure that every consideration will have been conscientiously weighed by those in authority. In two cases, to start with, every one is probably of one mind: that Earl Kitchener as War Lord and Mr. Lloyd George as Chancellor are the right men in the right places. It happens that, for the moment, the Premier's office is one of less importance than that of some of the other Ministers, and Mr. Asquith may therefore be left out of the discussion. Since he resigned the War Office into more experienced hands he has done an enormous amount of work for the benefit of the country, and even the most ultra-Conservative politicians have little against him. Mr. Birrell and Lord Haldane, as we remarked yesterday, might well have been left out of the Cabinet from the beginning. Both are students rather than practical men; both have won the respect of the reading public, but like their former teacher and model, Gladstone, both are cursed with the belief that a Cabinet Minister's duties leave him free to try as many experiments with the nation as may suggest themselves. The Minister with whom Hongkong is most closely concerned—Mr. Asquith—has done a lot of good work; and it has yet to be proved that his post could be better filled than it is at present by a man from the opposite camp. The same may be said of Mr. Churchill, with this difference: that while a civilian may, and probably will, make a better Colonial Secretary than a Service man, the keeping of a civilian (unless he be, as Mr. Balfour has, the instincts of the diplomatist and the politician born in him) at the Admiralty, may quite easily engender want of confidence in the people and discontent in the Navy. If, in the opinion of the powers that be, changes more or less sweeping are necessary in the Cabinet, by all means let us have them. Incidentally, it should be remarked that the men mentioned yesterday as possible new office-holders have before won the nation's confidence. Mr. Balfour, so long as he is not acting as Prime Minister, Messrs. Buxton and F. E. Smith, so long as they are not dealing with Ireland, and Lord Derby at all times, have abundantly proved their practicality. It matters nothing to us just now that coalitions in the past have proved failures. We are living in times that are entirely without parallel in history, and what may be a dead failure under one set of circumstances may not be a failure under another. For there to be serious talk of change at such a time is sufficient evidence that the condition of affairs has been pondered, duly and exactly, in the very highest quarters, and that those who have the greatest responsibility upon the affairs of the Empire are concerned are not disposed to consider the present arrangement of offices as perfect that it cannot be bettered.

Trading With the Enemy.
Once again the matter of trading with the enemy in China has come up in the House of Commons. According to this morning's wire, Sir Edward Grey, in reply to a question on the subject, said that the Government "was considering the total stoppage" of such trading. The wire adds that action will be taken by the Imperial Government as soon as it is ascertained that similar action will be taken by Japan. British merchants whose business is wrapped up in China will probably not get much consolation from such a message. They have asked for definiteness, and they now get only a new form of vagueness; and they may quite reasonably enquire why the Foreign Office could not have said all this six or even nine months ago. Whatever step the authorities at Home may decide upon, we do not quite see how they are going to avoid the main difficulty, seeing that so large a proportion of the goods passing from Chinese to British, or the reverse, have had a very considerable amount of German handling. With the Chinese acting as go-betweens it will be hard to prevent any prohibition's being a mere farce. The Britisher may not buy or sell with a German firm but he may do so with a Chinese house of business, ninety-nine per cent of whose transactions are perhaps with Germany. We shall look forward with curiosity to hearing the Japanese view of the situation.

Seven Years of Office.

We mentioned yesterday that Mr. Asquith has just completed his seventh year as Premier. The war has, of course, changed everything and everybody; but, till its outbreak, one was perhaps justified in saying that Mr. Asquith himself, since he was first taken into Gladstone's Cabinet, nearly twenty-three years ago, had undergone no change. The hallmark of the old Gladstonian party was a tendency to vacillation; it was as though its leader unconsciously drew towards him those who were already disposed to mistake weakness for diplomacy, and then proceeded to exert his own influence—a baneful one from the Empire's point of view—on them. Some of the Gladstonians ultimately went backwards or forwards, as the case might be, but Mr. Asquith, until the events of last August, remained practically where he was at the time when his preceptor's influence began to work. Those who doubt our statement have but to look back on the Premier's attitude over such matters as the historic Budget, the Labour and Irish questions and the suffragettes, in order to convince themselves that we are not maligning him. Since the war, however, he has shone in quite a new light and has won the unreserved respect of the Empire; and even his peccadilloes in allowing an inconvenient number of Germans to remain at large in England can be forgiven him when one remembers with what absolute self-sacrifice he has devoted himself to the affairs of the nation during all these trying months.

The National Anthem.

Another interesting passage in our issue of yesterday relates to a Home vicar's views on the subject of the British National Anthem. We doubt the likelihood of his gaining many converts to the "God save our Lord the King" version. We are not disputing his statement that the first line originally took that form, but there are no Britishers left who can remember clearly any other wording than "our gracious" and "our gracious" it will probably remain. We as a nation object to changes; it was months—years in some cases—after King Edward came to the throne before people even broke off the habit of singing "Queen for King," and it will probably be centuries before we consent to any further verbal alteration. The second verse, to which attention is drawn in the paragraph, is generally omitted, partly because most people do not know that there is a second, and partly because those who do know rightly object to the spirit of the days in which it was written, that prompted men—quite unfairly—to regard the King's enemies as necessarily base. It happens just now that we are fighting the sons of the earth, but usually our enemies have been quite decent fellows.

DAY BY DAY.

POLES WHO CAN DO: THOSE WHO CAN'T CHIN.

The Weather.
Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 80; fine.
At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 74; fog.

Count the Columns.
Yesterday the Telegraph published 37 columns of solid reading matter. To-day there will be 35 published.

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The Dollar.
The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 9.13/16d.

To-day's Anniversary.
To-day is the 21st anniversary of the opening of the Manchester Ship Canal.

Hongkong Tennis League.
Wigwam Tennis Club v. Kowloon A. The following team will represent the Wigwam Club: C. Humphreys, L. le Breton, G. W. Sewell, O. D. Lambert, A. Hanson, H. Dreyer.

HARBOUR OFFENCES.

Before Commander C. W. Beckwith R. N., at the Marine Court this morning, Acting Police Sergeant E. Bond charged Chen Fai, master of a passenger boat, with unlawfully carrying 9 passengers in excess, within the harbour limits, on the 21st inst. Defendant was fined \$5.

SULTAN'S DESPAIR.

Abdication if Constantinople should Fall.

Paris, April 18.—A telegram to the Temps from Dedeagatch of today's date says:—
A council of the Imperial Dynasty held at Constantinople under the presidency of the Sultan discussed the eventuality of the rupture of Constantinople and the necessity of transferring the capital to the interior of Asia Minor.

The Heir-Apparent, Yusuf Izzeddine, violently criticised the policy of Enver Pasha and the Young Turks.

The Sultan, who appeared greatly overcome, said he owed his accession to the Young Turks, but would have preferred never to have reigned than to see the misfortunes which their inexperience and their rash policy had brought on the country.

His Majesty expressed his firm determination to abdicate should Constantinople be threatened and the transfer of the capital be necessary. He added that he was weary of his reign and would be happy if Yusuf would succeed him immediately.

Other members of the Imperial Dynasty and the Sheikh ul Islam expressed the opinion that the time was not ripe for such a change. Yusuf's hostility to Enver's policy might provoke serious internal troubles.

18,200 Germans at Large.

The total number of male Germans above the age of seventeen in the United Kingdom is about 27,203, and of these only 8,000 have been interned. This fact is made known in a White Paper, issued April 14, giving the correspondence between Britain and the United States Ambassador respecting the release of interned civilians.

NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

MORE DELICIOUS VAGUENESS.

Ministers, Army and Navy.

The lion's share of the wires is again devoted to political matters at Home. Naturally, Hongkong readers are glad of as much information on that point as can be given, but they would very much rather have more news from the front, or seats, or war. The two points in all these messages anent the Ministry which really concern the general public are, the resurrectoring of the conscription question in the House, as it were at the very last moment before adjournment; and the statement that the Labour Party will probably be represented in the new Government. We cannot see and never have been able to see conscription "coming along"; indeed we think too well of the military spirit of the sons of the Empire to be able to conceive of its necessity. At the same time the years 1914 and 1915 have been so full of surprises for everyone, that most of us are perhaps gradually losing our faculty for being astonished.

Troops and Munitions.

The news that the age limit for the army has been raised is very welcome, and our only surprise in this direction is that such a decision was not arrived at before, millions of men are at their best, mentally and physically, between the ages of thirty-five and forty-five, and the fact that they have by then come to the years of discretion, surely makes such men as valuable an asset to the King, as young men between twenty and twenty-five. The man of twenty has no thought where the possibilities of rheumatism, pneumonia, dysentery and fever are concerned; whereas he of forty has learned that his health is not a thing to be disregarded, and so, in the end, is far less likely to figure on the sick-list than his son or younger brother, who often mistakes foolhardiness and silly negligence for a proof of courage. Mention of sick-lists and casualty records brings us back to the munitions question again, and thence to the matter of asking Labour Members to bear a share in the Government. It would seem that the advantage of such a step as this later, will be that the Ministry may get an extra hold on the men who are responsible for the output of shells and other war necessities. The mind of the British workman, when once he is trades-union-ridden, is a watery affair and he has to be coaxed like a child. The probability is that he will do for those whom he regards as his own special representatives, what consideration for his King and country might not so readily persuade him to do. What we want in the munition factories just now is "bottle" of the best quality, and if that depends on the Labour members, by all means let us have a score of them in the Cabinet.

Other Wires.

The Dardanelles message is a long one but it does not rest on the side of precision. It mentions that certain troops were engaged on May 10 (and this is May 21) and that the British Left "rested at the Gulf of Saros"—which tells us nothing, seeing that the Gulf runs some forty or fifty miles into the land. The Press Bureau's wire brings us a little more up to date, covering affairs—if ever so thinly—as far as the 17th, and it concludes with the comforting assurance that every day sees an improvement in our position. The Petrograd wire which we received yesterday evening, speaking of a combined British, French and Russian success at "Shavli" is obviously a telegraphic blunder; for Shavli is in the Russian Province of Kovno, miles away from the war centre, and there has been no question of combination of the forces of the three Allies. It is probable that the mistake was made at the Petrograd end; that the place mentioned is on the Franco-Belgian front; and that the senders of the message wrongly assumed that the Russians were present "through their" having read "Shavli" for another name.

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" Fung Kit Ling ... 3

" D. Neilson ... 28
" L. J. Blackburn ... 10
" G. H. May ... 5
" C. W. Jeffries ... 10
" F. H. M. Goode ... 5

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Hongkong, 20th May, 1915.

H.K.C.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Result of the Mixed Doubles Final.

The final of the Handicap Mixed Doubles was played off yesterday afternoon before a numerous crowd of onlookers including H. E. the Governor and Lady May.

Mrs. Moxon and Mr. H. R. B. Hancock met Mrs. A. Nesbitt and Mr. H. A. Nesbitt and won by 6-3 and 6-4.

A feature of the play was the fine form showed by Mrs. Moxon who shaped well at returns, which were quite powerful, and placing to the excellence of which much of the success of the pair was due.

It is true that Mrs. Winslow and Mr. Nesbitt played hard and well but they were no match for their opponents who thoroughly deserved the victory on the day.

THE QUINTS.

Good Performance Last Night.

The Quints opened to a fair house last evening, which made up in enthusiasm what it lacked in numbers, and practically every item was encored. In particular Miss Agnes Croxton deserves special commendation for the excellence of her singing. Gifted with a beautiful voice she carried a great portion of the programme on her shoulders. Miss Dorothy James at the piano sang "The Hoodoo" and had to respond to an encore, while Mr. Dick Hewlett regularly brought the house down with a coarser song, being obliged to sing "Who Killed Bill Kaiser," in answer to repeated demands for another song. Mr. Lane Mott and Mr. Courtney Fagan were most pleasing in their several parts. Mr. Salisbury did a rare lot of work without seeming to do anything at all, and kept the many new quips and cracks that he has, and not a few old ones dressed in entirely new clothes. The concerted singing of the company was excellent, as was also the dancing of Miss Peggy May.

On Monday the Quints will give an "All British" programme with which they have already made themselves famous, in Shanghai, where they packed the Lyceum Theatre.

LANGKAT OUTPUT.

Messrs. Wright and Hornby advise us that the Langkat output for the current month is as follows:—

May	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Tons	342
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Total to 20th inst. 6,980

Daily average 349.00

TELL US THE TRUTH.

Mr. Chamberlain's Plan for More War News.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain speaking on April 15 at the annual meeting of the Birmingham Liberal Unionist Association, of which he was elected president in succession to his father, said:—
"We have passed through eight months of war, and he would be a bold man who would lead you to hope that the struggle will be over within another eight months. I cannot speak to my countrymen at this time without appealing through them to the Government for a little more light on what is passing. News may be good or bad, but a Government understands our people which thinks that they will do good work by keeping back bad news. We have gone through bad times before, and the worse the times were the higher the spirit of our people rose. The greater the necessity you show them for exertion the greater the exertion they will make."
"If I plead that where no military necessity exists bad news should not be withheld, I plead too, that we may have some greater and more fuller knowledge of the gallant and heroic deeds of the regiments with which our city are associated. I am profoundly convinced that secrecy has been, and is being, carried to an extent which is detrimental to the best interests of our country. Any Government which tries to ride this country in a blanket will never get the best out of it."

WAR TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

THE IMPERIAL MEETING AT THE GUILDHALL.

May 19, 7.30 p.m.

There were most enthusiastic scenes at the Imperial patriotic meeting held at the Guildhall, to thank the Dominions, India, and the Protectorates for their unparalleled services during the war.

It was a most distinguished gathering of Cabinet Ministers, High Commissioners, Colonial and Indian officials.

The Lord Mayor presided.

Mr. Asquith paid a most eloquent tribute to the sons and daughters of the overseas dominions, whose record was so magnificent that any Empire might take the highest pride in it (cheers). Their generosity, devotion, and willingness to endure hardship in the face of death was due to no consideration of self-interest. We were now gathering in the hour of our trial the fruits of a wise and far-sighted Imperial Policy (cheers). There was no part of the empire which would not suffer annihilation rather than become the subject of any other sovereignty (great cheering).

Mr. Ponnau Law also uttered a glowing eulogy on the work of the dominions.

Later: May 20, 6.50 p.m.

There was a brilliant gathering on the platform, which included a number of Indian Princes, and other prominent persons.

Mr. Asquith detailed at length the splendid gifts of the Indian Princes and people, and mentioned that India had put into the field 28 regiments of cavalry and 124 regiments of infantry. When they looked to the actual achievements of the forces of India, which had been so spontaneously despatched and so magnificently equipped, then the battlefields of France and Flanders bore an undying tribute to their bravery. (Loud cheers.)

Mr. Buar Law said he did not think they fully realised all that the Indian soldiers had done. He believed that as a nation we had more reason to be proud of the spontaneous enthusiasm of the Indian Princes and people, on behalf of their King Emperor and Empire, than we had to be proud of the conquest of India.

Lord Curzon said he desired to express the conviction that the recognition, by that meeting, of the answer which India had given to Germany, would thrill the whole Empire. That answer had been given by the Indian army, by the Princes of India at Home who themselves had drawn the sword—(prolonged cheering)—and also by others who had given with both hands. It was the answer of the whole people of India, the millions of India who had lavished their labours, gifts and prayers, on behalf of the cause of which their beloved King-Emperor was the centre and symbol.

KITCHENER'S NEW ARMY AGE LIMIT.

May 20, 10.40 p.m.

The age limit for Kitchener's Army has been raised to forty.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[The opinions expressed by the correspondents are not necessarily those of the Hongkong Telegraph.]

THE PEAK TRAMWAY CO., LD.

The Editor, of the Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir:—"Non-shareholders" letter of the 20th inst. is not quite correct as to the increase of charges. The charges have been increased by 20 per cent and not by 10 per cent.

The \$3,000 referred to in that letter is the amount allowed to the General Managers by the Articles of the Company, for office rent and clerks, in addition to the commission of 5 per cent. of the gross returns of the Company.

With regard to the balance sheet it may be interesting to compare this year's profit and loss account with that of last year, when it will be observed that on the credit side of last year's account is an item "By Traffic receipts less loss on subsidiary coin—\$90,225.81, whereas in this year's account on the credit side is "By Traffic receipts—\$87,241.24 and on the debit side "Loss on subsidiary coin—\$3,440.18."

The General Managers' commission this year is shown at \$4,713.41 being 5 per cent. on \$94,268.37 made up as follows:—

Traffic receipts	\$87,241.24
Rents	544.82
Interest receivable	0,455.31
Transfer fees	27.00
Total	\$94,268.37

Had the account been prepared on the lines of last year, the General Managers' commission would appear to work out at—\$4,541.40 (\$172.01 less than the commission they are actually taking) being 5 per cent. on \$90,828.10 made up as follows:—

Traffic receipts	\$87,241.24
Loss on S. Coin	3,440.18
Total	\$83,801.06
Rents	544.82
Interest receivable	6,455.31
Transfer fees	27.00
Total	\$90,828.10

Yours faithfully,
STANLEY S. MOORE

BOY'S CLAIM FOR WAGES.

Suggested Result of a Feud.

This afternoon in the Summary Court before Mr. Justice Hazlewood, Wai Leung sued Miss Sybil Rothschild of No. 2, Old Bailey to recover the sum of \$21.30 alleged to be due for wages and money paid by the plaintiff on her behalf.

Mr. Dixon, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. C. F. Mason, for the defence.

Mr. Mason asked for the case to be adjourned. His client had left the colony at short notice and when a certain boat returned the money would be paid.

Mr. Dixon said he wanted his judgment so that he could communicate with solicitors in Calcutta to which place the defendant was going.

The plaintiff in the witness box said that he was head boy at No. 2 George Street. The defendant owed him the money and on April 16, he went to her house and asked her to pay. She put a stamp on the bill and asked him to sign. He did so and then instead of paying the \$21.30 she only paid him \$1.30 and kept the receipt. When he asked her to return it she refused and drove him away.

Another witness having been called for the plaintiff, Mr. Mason submitted that his case was that the boy had admitted, in the presence of witnesses, that the defendant did not owe the money. He had been put up to sue for the \$20 by his mistress, who he understood had paid all fees in the case, and with whom his client had had some dispute.

The case was adjourned until Friday to secure the attendance of a witness for the defence.

The Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.
The ordinary general meeting of the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd. will be held at the company's offices, St. George's Buildings, tomorrow at noon.
Delivery of Silk.
The Yokohama Office of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha is in receipt of a less communication to the effect that the silk despatched from Osaka, "senyo Maru" on the 13th April was delivered in New York on the 15th inst.

REVIEW.

A Hongkong Author's Work.

("The Evolution of Germany" by Commander A. Susmann, R. N. Hongkong Kelly and Walsh 60 cents.)

In our preliminary notice of Commander Susmann's "Evolution of Germany" we gave a brief outline of its scope for the benefit of those of our readers who were unable to be present when the three lectures of which it consists were delivered in public. A work, however, which, within the small compass of sixty-six octavo pages, contrives to sum up Germany, historically, economically and philosophically, is scarcely one to be dismissed in mere perfunctory fashion. Commander Susmann's little work bears all the evidences of much thought and of close reading, and is free from the encyclopaedic taint which is the curse of so many books of its class. It gives the reader the facts in the briefest possible form; but it also gives deductions—and accounts for these.

We are glad to notice, among other things, that the writer has been at the trouble of pointing out that there are Germans and Germans; that, in a general way, the Prussian is distinguishable from the South German as black from white; and this difference he is quite safe in attributing, before all things, to environment; to geographical surroundings. His first lecture carries the reader from Roman times to the Seven Years' War, and is the more meritorious in that it represents the first work that precedes the actual structure. Such work is always laborious, at times uninteresting to the author himself, and yet is generally taken without a "thank you" by the reader, who thinks that such introductions grow of themselves.

The second lecture takes up the subject when Germany had become "weary, apathetic, unwilling to think, desirous only of a quiet life," without patriotism, aspirations, ideals; without anything that goes to make a nation a nation. A country in this condition has a mind lying fallow and, as the author shows, the door was open for the reception of any and every system of philosophy that might come along. The Germans—a certain type of Germans, perhaps one should say—however idle they may appear to be at the time, cannot help pondering; they are by nature reflective, and so each new thinker who came along, whether Lessing, "Jean Paul," Goethe or Kant, was sure of leaving his mark on a certain portion of the people.

The then new philosophy struggled in the German mind with the old mysticism of Catholicism—or with the more rugged doctrines of Luther or of Calvin as the case might be—just as the new political teaching arising out of the French Revolution struggled with North German aristocratic ideals and with South German accepted bourgeois traditions of respect for lawful authority and the bigger purse. The net result was that, by the middle of Nineteenth Century, (at which point Commander Susmann's second lecture ends) the country was in a state of mental whirl analogous to its political confusion of a hundred years earlier; the only real gain being that the revolutionary energy, which had arisen as a necessary outcome of the upheaval in the neighboring country, had contrived to stand out more or less distinct from all the other factors that were at work. This spirit, we are told, "had given life to the teachings of the thinkers; had indeed purified the nation, and brought it to a sense of a higher destiny."

But, as Commander Susmann is careful to remind his readers, side by side with that principle had appeared the germ of "militarism"; and it is this additional light which he shows in the development of that germ that necessarily makes his third lecture the most interesting. As we once before remarked in commenting briefly on his statements, our author strengthens his position immensely by recording as much as possible to the adversary. If Germans were the poor creatures, intellectually and physically, that many Britishers would believe them to be, there would

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VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

Corps Orders issued to-day by Lieut-Col. A. Chapman V.D. state.

Joined;

Sapper W. O. Lambert joined the Corps on 21st inst. allotted Corps No. 1847 and posted to Engineer Company.

Parades.

Parades for Saturday, 22nd inst. 7 a.m. Signalling Section, Signalling Instruction at Headquarters. Remainder, Nil.

King's Park Range.

This Range is allotted to the H. K. V. R., R. N. Dockyard and Tai Koo R. de Club teams on Saturday, 29th inst. from 2 p.m. till dusk.

Detail.

On duty at Headquarters. From 7 a.m. to-morrow to 7 a.m. 23rd inst. Civil Service Company. From 7 a.m. 23rd to 7 a.m. 24th inst. No. 1 Section, Scouts Co.

At Gun Club Hill, Kowloon. On duty for week beginning 22nd inst. No. 1 Sec. Art. Batty, and Left Sec. M.G. Co. Officer on duty Lieut. Rees.

At Kowloon Detention Camp.

On duty for week beginning 22nd inst.—H.K. V.R.

Orderly Officer for week beginning 22nd inst.—Lieut. O. Smith. Order Sergeant for week beginning 22nd inst.—Cpl. J. F. Grace.

Net.—The members of the guard for Gun Club Hill who live in Hongkong will parade at Star Ferry Wharf at 9.20 p.m. and cross by the 9.25 p.m. ferry.

EMPIRE DAY.

Special Services for Hongkong Children.

We are asked to say that a short commemorative service will be held at St. John's Cathedral on Wednesday (Empire Day) at 9 a.m., when a sermon will be preached by the Bishop of Victoria. The service is intended primarily for the British children of the Colony, for whom the nave and both transepts will be reserved. A Government launch, available for Kowloon children, will leave the Old Ferry Wharf, Kowloon, at 8.20 a.m. sharp, and will leave Blake Pier on the return journey immediately after the service.

In addition to the shortened Morning Prayer office, special collects will be recited on behalf of the King and the Empire, and Kyrie's "Land of our Birth" will be sung.

At the Catholic Cathedral. A special Empire Day service will be held at 10.30 a.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, at which Bishop Pizzoni will preach.

POLICE RESERVE ORDERS.

Musketry Practice. Police Reserve orders issued to-day state:—

On May 23rd and 24th. The following will report for duties immediately on arrival on the Range:—

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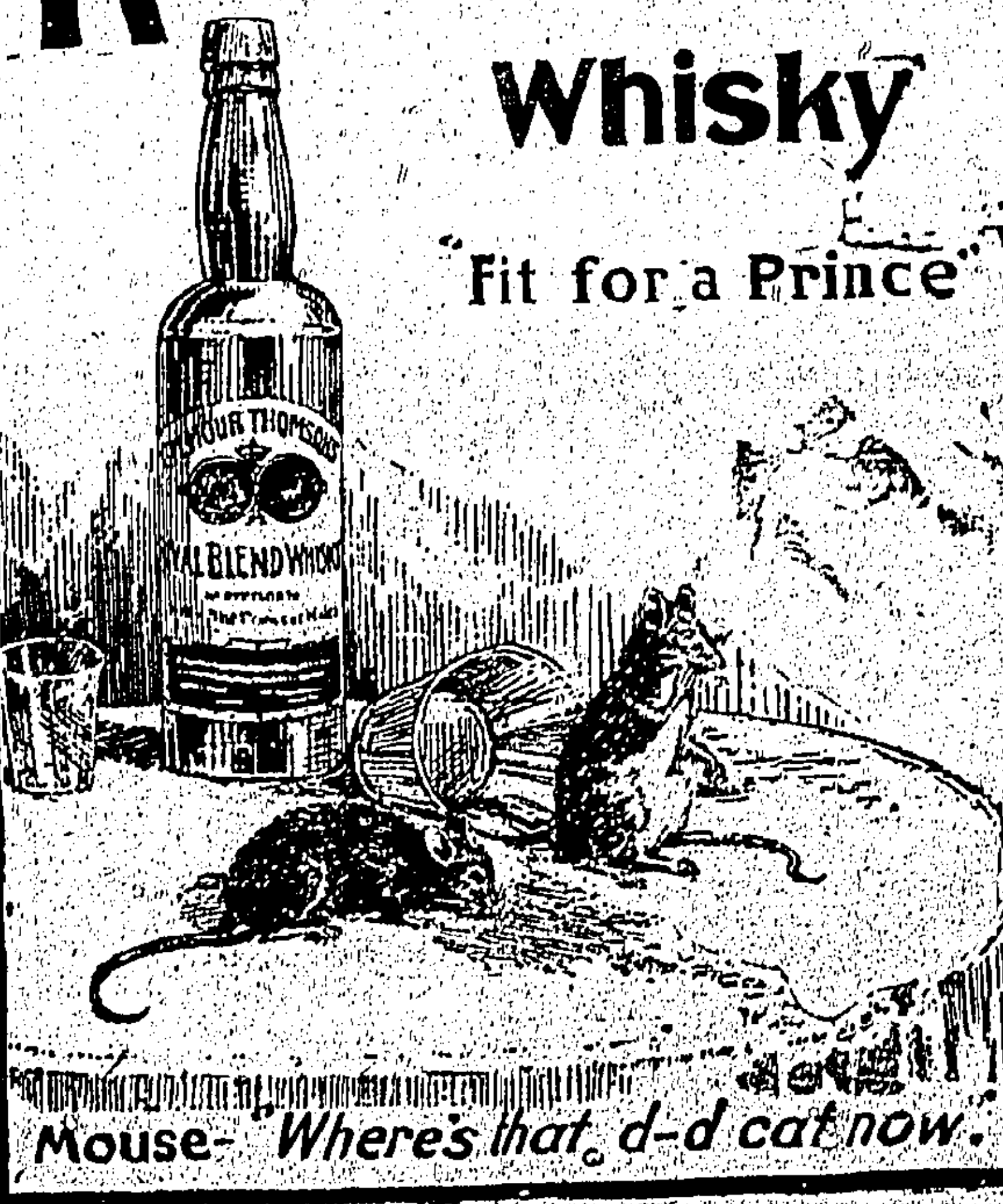
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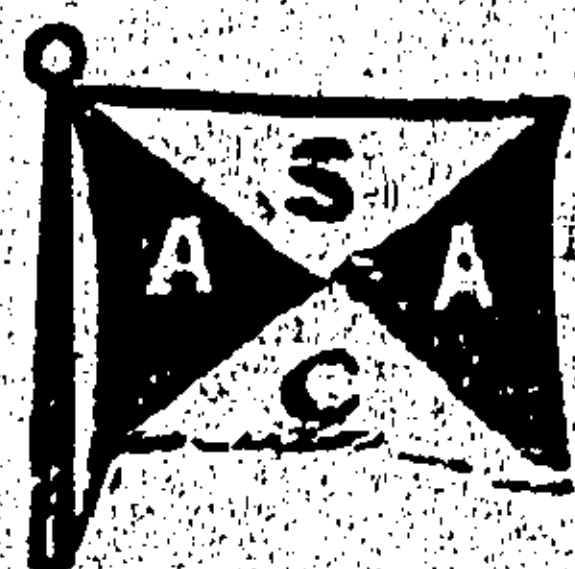
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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

EXTRA

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MAY 21, 1915.

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

GERMAN SUBMARINE ACTIVITY.

May 20, 4.20 p.m.
A German submarine has sunk the trawlers Lucerne and Chrysolite in the North Sea.

SPY ESCAPES THE SCAFFOLD.

May 20, 4.20 p.m.
Kueperle, one of the German spies, who was arrested in London, and who was undergoing his trial, hanged himself in his cell. He left a letter expressing his appreciation of the fairness of the trial but stated that he preferred, as a soldier, a self-inflicted death to the scaffold.

THE DACIA'S CARGO: AMERICAN CLAIM.

May 20, 4.20 p.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Paris a law has been promulgated opening a credit for payment for the cargo of the Dacia.
The American owners are claiming Fr. 3,820,766, but the payment will be made on the basis of the market value in Rotterdam.

ITALY'S PATRIOTIC DEPUTIES.

May 20, 4.20 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Rome reports that it is understood that a number of deputies will volunteer for service with the colours.

SANITARY AFFAIRS IN KOWLOON.

Serious Points Raised In Mr. Goldring's Report.

To-day we give the full text of the report of Mr. Goldring on his inspection of the Tsim Sha Tsui District, and the answers thereto by Dr. Pearce, Assistant M.O.H.:

Sir,
In company with Dr. Pearce I inspected the Tsim Sha Tsui District on Tuesday the 30th ultimo between the hours of 3 and 5 p.m. and report as follows:

(1) In a large portion of the area visited by us, (a) the side channels do not properly carry off the surface water. This is entirely a matter for the Public Works Department but concerns the Public Health. (b) The down pipes and the pipes connecting them with the side channels in many instances are choked or broken so that quantities of water after rainfall accumulate, and might provide fertile breeding ground for mosquitoes. I have received numerous complaints on this score.

(2) There are a number of private wells in the district, some of which are of such a nature as to give opportunities for the breeding of mosquitoes.

This can be remedied by the Inspectors of the District making regular visits and seeing that these wells are treated with kerosene or filled in, as may be deemed advisable by the Board.

There does not appear to be any accurate record of the number of wells in this or any other district.

(3) There are a number of unoccupied flats and houses, parts of which are used by night soil-coliars and others for the unlawful storage of night soil and other refuse. This is, in my opinion, by far the most serious matter in this district.

Locks have been placed on certain of these unoccupied premises, but the locks were wrenched off and the abuse continues. I feel sure that there is a real danger from this source.

Whether it can be remedied by further legislation or by the installation of water closets throughout the Kowloon District is for the Board to decide.

There are a number of open spaces where rubbish is shot and refuse accumulates. This can only be dealt with by increased supervision.

I desire that this report be laid on the table at the next meeting of the Board and submit with

all respect, having regard to the size of the District in question, and the general increase of the population in the whole Kowloon area, that with a more hearty co-operation on the part of the Public Works Department, and with an increase in the staff of inspectors and coliars, the evils which undoubtedly exist, could be minimised if not removed altogether.

I have, by arrangement with Doctor Pearce made this an independent report as we have considered it advisable that his report should take the form of notes and replies on, and to the points raised above.

Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(Sd) PHILIP W. GOLDRING.
H.S.D. The Secretary Sanitary Board.

I beg to submit for the information of the Board the following remarks on the points raised by Mr. Goldring in the attached letter of April 20th 1915.

1. Side Channels. These have not in all cases properly graduated falls throughout their courses and consequently water remains in them in small quantities. The fault seems to be due to defective workmanship. It occurs in other districts as well as in Tsim Sha Tsui.

2. Down pipes for rain water and the gutters carrying rain water across or beneath foot paths do occasionally get broken. These defects when discovered are reported for the information of the Public Works Department if of sufficient importance.

I have not found mosquito larvae in any accumulations of water in Tsim Sha Tsui caused by any of the above defects, probably because in the dry season water does not remain long enough owing to evaporation, and in the rainy season the frequent flow of water carries it away and eggs that might be deposited therein.

Last year there was no General Cleansing work done throughout the European part of Tsim Sha Tsui, on account of the greater need for this work in those districts badly attacked by Plague.

It is during the general cleansing work that a systematic inspection of premises is undertaken and such things as broken and defective pipes, traps, channels, etc., noted for action.

Recently this work has been done in Tsim Sha Tsui and reports of such defects forwarded for the required notices to repair to be issued.

In addition a general report on such matters as broken side

channels, pavement, etc., for the information of the Public Works Department is now in preparation and will be forwarded in a few days.

The required general survey of Kowloon for this purpose was not done last year.

Private Wells.—There are a number of these in Tsim Sha Tsui. Their situation is known to the District Inspector who inspects them weekly and puts kerosene into them.

I have frequently inspected these wells, especially those in the Chinese vegetable and flower gardens and I do not think that much opportunity is given to mosquitoes to develop in them. Recommendations for filling in two of these wells which seem to be superfluous have recently been forwarded.

Empty Houses.
Outgoing tenants frequently leave a house in a filthy condition with an accumulation of rubbish in the yard and night soil in the servants latrine.

Servants latrines in certain buildings of flats in Kowloon have frequently been used as public latrines. These latrines are common to the servants of several flats and are hence often neglected by all the tenants, especially when the ground floor flat is vacant (the latrines are on the ground floor). The number of empty houses has increased since the outbreak of war. They were rare before.

It is not the men employed by the Board Conservancy Contractor who store night soil in latrines and yards.
It is the custom of householders to have night soil removed from their bath rooms at about 10 a.m. The night soil is stored in the servants latrines until about 1 a.m. on the following night. It is then removed to the conservancy boats. To overcome the difficulty of having servants latrines used by the public the owners of houses (flats) have in several cases supplied locks to the latrines and provided keys for each flat served by the latrines. These locks are stolen. The tenants move, loose or take away the keys and the above trouble begins again.

In Tsim Sha Tsui houses are built in many cases very close together and complaints have been made that smells from servants latrines penetrate into living rooms of neighbouring houses.

This will occur even when latrines are kept in such condition that they do not cause a nuisance.

The dry earth system of disposing excreta is impracticable in this Colony.

There is always a certain risk of the conveyance of the infection of Typhoid Fever via latrines and flies.

The water carriage system appears to be the only practical way of overcoming these difficulties.

Open Spaces and Rubbish.
There are a number of vacant lots in Kowloon to which refuse is thrown from European houses.

These spaces are frequently cleaned, special visits being made to them by the scavengers. The practice of throwing rubbish over yard walls, etc., still goes on. It is extremely difficult to detect the offenders in the act of dumping such refuse. I not infrequently happen that refuse is thrown out immediately after a gang of coolies has cleared up an accumulation of refuse from a vacant lot.

Spaces from which matsheds have been removed have been found to abound with rubbish. I have had such removed but have instructed the District Inspector to make a prompt visit to any such site and to hold the permit holder of the recent removal responsible for the rubbish left by him and to take action accordingly.

(Sd) W. PEARCE.
A.M.O.H.
Hongkong, April 23rd, 1915.

OUR SPORTS LETTER.

(Continued from yesterday.)

First League.

Positions of the Clubs.	Goals.
P.W.L.D.F.A.	
Oldham	34 17 10 63 48 44
Manchester	35 15 7 13 47 31 43
Sheffield W.	36 15 9 12 61 53 42
Everton	35 17 11 7 71 44 41
Blackburn R.	36 17 12 7 78 59 41
Sunderland	36 17 14 5 75 70 39
Sheffield U.	34 13 9 12 43 37 38
Bradford C.	35 12 9 14 54 43 38
W. Brom.	36 14 12 10 35 39 38
Bradford	34 15 12 7 61 60 37
Barnley	34 15 13 6 55 44 36
Middlesbrough	35 12 11 11 58 49 35
Aston Villa	34 12 12 10 58 67 34
Liverpool	35 11 15 9 59 73 31
Newcastle U.	34 10 15 10 44 28 28
Bolton W.	35 10 18 7 65 32 27
Notts C.	36 7 18 13 38 57 27
Tottenham H.	36 8 17 11 56 84 27
Chelsea	33 7 14 12 43 54 26
Manchester U.	35 7 13 12 41 58 26

The championship see-saw of the First League has taken another away and Oldham once more holds the balance. Their supremacy is as keenly disputed as ever, by Manchester City, and this Lancashire duel promises to be continued until the curtain is rung down on May 1st—the date to which the season has been extended in order to allow clubs to complete their programmes. Not for some years has there been such a close struggle for the season's honours. It is curious how good footballers seem to congregate in Lancashire. The county has always been rich in native talent since Preston North End, or "Proud Preston" as they were then called, gave those brilliant displays of which the veterans still speak. The County Palatine has the magnetic power of drawing crack players from a field. In the meantime the comparative poverty of football in the south, and particularly in London, continues to be a baffling mystery. Tottenham Hotspur and Chelsea are two of the wealthiest clubs in the country, but no matter how much money they spend in securing players their teams are always disappointing.

Positions of the Clubs.

P. W. L. D. F. A.	Goals.
Derby C.	36 22 7 7 69 31 51
Preston N.E.	36 19 10 7 58 40 48
Barnsley	36 20 13 3 48 51 43
Wolver.	35 18 12 5 73 49 41
The Arsenal	36 18 13 5 62 38 41
Birmingham	34 17 11 6 60 35 40
Hull C.	34 17 12 5 59 48 38
Huddersfield	35 18 13 6 57 42 39
Fulham	36 15 14 7 53 44 37
Olton C.	36 14 13 9 47 48 37
Stockport C.	36 15 16 5 51 37 35
Bristol C.	36 14 16 6 59 54 34
Bury.	36 13 15 8 56 54 34
Blackpool.	35 14 16 5 46 50 33
Leeds C.	36 14 18 4 63 37 32
Lincoln C.	36 11 18 9 43 60 31
Grimby T.	35 11 18 8 47 67 30
Notts F.	36 10 17 9 43 60 29
Leicester F.	36 9 23 4 42 55 22
Glossop	36 8 25 5 30 84 17

In the Second League it is now merely a question of completing fixtures for it has been decided that Preston North End shall remain in company with Derby County, to the senior division by right of occupying the first two places in the table, and Leicester Fosse and Glossop will have to depend on the goodwill of their fellow competitors to keep their positions. When the season ends Leicester and Glossop will cease to exist as Second League clubs, but it will be possible for them to continue in membership by re-election at the annual meeting. As to Derby County, they will prove themselves an exceptional side if they win their two outstanding fixtures and increase their points to 65, for that is a total that has rarely been equalled. Another deduction, not quite so flattering to the Derbyans from the records is that the general standard of play in the

competition has been below the average. Certainly some of the clubs have been most disappointing, and here it will be noted that London's representatives have been little more successful than those in the senior division. Some blame the softer climate as compared with the north, others the social attraction of the metropolis for the backwardness of London football, but whatever the reason, it is not creditable. The prominence of Barnsley, a club who depend on their prosperity by developing young players and disposing of them in the transfer market, is pleasing. Though they have twice been in the Cup final and won the trophy once they have never held such a high position in the League. Birmingham, who began to falter as soon as they became implicated in the cup competition, deserve a better position and Huddersfield have only dropped down the list through a shortage of playing talent.

Southern League.

Position of the Clubs.

P. W. L. D. F. A.	Goals.
Watford	36 20 8 8 63 43 48
Cardiff C.	36 21 12 3 66 35 45
Reading	36 19 10 7 63 45 45
West Ham U.	36 18 9 9 53 44 44
Northampton	34 15 8 11 47 40 41
Swindon	36 15 10 11 76 58 41
Millwall	35 16 10 10 47 41 40
Southampton	35 17 14 4 69 71 38
Portsmouth	36 15 12 9 51 42 38
Exeter C.	36 15 13 8 50 37 38
Brighton	36 14 14 8 42 45 36
Q. P. Rangers	36 12 13 11 51 63 35
Crystal P.	35 12 15 8 43 68 32
Norwich City	35 10 13 12 50 65 32
Luton	36 12 16 8 59 68 32
Bristol R.	36 13 20 3 52 72 29
Plymouth A.	35 7 14 14 47 64 28
Oxford C.	37 9 19 9 46 61 27
Southend U.	35 8 20 7 38 61 22
Gillingham	36 6 22 8 39 77 20

One more victory from their two remaining matches will give Watford the championship of the Southern League. They may even gain the honour without scoring another point, for with their lead of three points they can only be overtaken by Cardiff City, Reading, and Northampton, if all or any of these three clubs secure every possible point. In the circumstances, Watford can be said to hold a very safe position and be regarded as prospective champions. Reading made their worst mistake of the season last Saturday when they lost to Cardiff City. A win was essential if they were to get in front, but the importance of the occasion was too much for the forwards who blundered their chances woefully. Only twice previously had they been defeated on their own grounds. Similarly, West Ham ruined their prospects by their failure at Plymouth against the Argyle.

Billiard Test Match.

"Whenever I play Gray," Reecoon remarked, "a sword, in the shape of a thousand break, is always hanging over my head." Inman, the British champion, is showing no such pessimistic state of mind in his match with the young Australian. "He won't make many thousand breaks against me," Inman told the writer. "Of course the 500 run will come along occasionally, but I expect to keep pace by scoring more consistently." Inman too does not believe that it is possible for Gray to perform with ivory as he does with composition balls. In this view he is supported by the master billiard player, John Roberts. On the other hand, it is Stevenson's opinion that the Australian youth will in time score just as freely, by his red ball being striking, as he used to do when he played exclusively with composition balls. Consequently, his present match is being watched with much interest, for in some respects it is regarded as a test. Inman and Gray have met only once previously, and on that occasion the Englishman was defeated by nearly half the game. The Australian may win again,

EMPIRE DAY.

Boy Scouts' Rally on the Cricket Ground.

Monday May 24 is Empire Day, and this year it comes home very vividly what a day like this should mean to us all. Our thoughts must fly to those who, far away, are struggling to keep our Empire free from the tyranny of a world wide enemy; who are giving their lives, nobly and ungrudgingly to keep our flag flying, true to our word, and in honour bearing out our promise of friendship and succour to those who have also been drawn into this struggle for existence.

Here in Hongkong where all is peace, and where it is difficult to realise the horrors of the war in Europe, we hope on Empire Day to rally round the flag, and show our love and respect for all it represents and to encourage the young generation to appreciate what it means to belong to such a country.

The Baden Powell Boy Scouts will hold a rally on the cricket ground on Empire Day at 5.30. Some of our future men of Britain, in whose hands lie the glory of our nation, sons of men who are giving of their best, and who, if called upon would be willing to lay down their lives for their country, these boys, of all ages, are learning to be honourable, brave, and capable men, not necessarily in the future to become active defenders of their country, but in what ever sphere of life they find themselves, to bring credit to that flag, which represents the honour and glory of Great Britain.

Since the last rally, two months ago, the Scouts have grown from a troop of some 60 boys to over 100. Funds for the Building of a Hall, have been given most generously, and now with so much encouragement and good will around us, each month we hope to see an ever increasing number of boys enrolled into this Empire making organisation, who are living up to their motto, "Be Prepared."

but not by anything like the same handsome margin, and his task to win at all will be severe. Inman is a truly remarkable opponent in a game in which one imagines the personal element ought not to enter very considerably. Beyond his resource and cunning in safety tactics he undoubtedly does exercise a very real and troublesome influence over his opponent. This is the reason why Gray stipulated that the non-striker should always sit behind the baulk line. So far, Inman has made no big break, but from the second session he has forged ahead. In the early stage his lead of 600 odd, does not mean much, but the play has been significant of the severity of Gray's task. On the second day the latter was over 1000 behind, but then he was responsible for one of those long breaks that Inman had spoken of, and was obviously prepared for.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.
The Y. C. S. N. L. WINGANG from Shanghai is due at Hongkong on the 24th May.
The S. S. L. MERIONETHSHIRE from London is due at Hongkong on the 25th June.
The S. S. L. RADNORSHIRE from London is due at Hongkong on the 12th July.

A "FOWL" STORY.

At the Police Court, this afternoon, Feng Hung of the Koon Sai Lau restaurant, Queen's Road West, was prosecuted by Inspector P. O. Sullivan for "sending out beer from the Koon Sai Lau restaurant otherwise than in conjunction with a meal sent out from such restaurant."

Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. Bulmer Johnson, of Messrs. Denny and Bowley defended.

Inspector O. Sullivan said the defendant sent a bottle of beer and a dish containing a small chicken "as a blind", on May 11. The order was placed by a Chinese station coolie who directed the defendant to send a bottle of beer to a certain house.

Mr. Jenkin supported the chicken was an edible chicken.

Inspector O. Sullivan deposed to his faith in the general utility of the bird for the purposes of a meal.

The station coolie who went for the meal said the defendant handed him a bottle of beer at the house, but he did not hand over the chicken.

Mr. Jenkin:—Have you ever been in a restaurant for the purpose of eating and drinking (laughter)?

Witness:—I have not.

Mr. Jenkin:—He was carrying a chicken?

Witness:—Yes.

Mr. Jenkin:—Then he must have been carrying it for you?

No answer.

Mr. Jenkin:—Well he was not taking it for a "constitutional" (loud laughter), so he must have been carrying it for some one.

Witness:—He did not say he was going to give it to me.

Mr. Jenkin said a man asked for a bottle of beer. He was told the price of the beer with a meal would be 55 cents, 25 cents for beer and 30 cents for the meal. He submitted that that being so it was not necessary to prove that "this bit of chicken was not doing yeoman service on behalf of the restaurant in order to meet the requirements of the licence that when intoxicating liquor went out it must be accompanied by a meal."

The defendant, said counsel, sold chickens, beefsteak, ducks, fish, crabs, lobsters, ham, eggs and pork (laughter). He sold eighty chickens a day either whole or in the half. Defendant was not there when the transaction took place.

His Worship:—What kind of beer is that?

Mr. Jenkin:—Don't Pilsener. At least he believes so—weshall know at four o'clock (loud laughter).

"This piece of chicken had not been doing donkey-work" said Counsel later.

"Was this piece of chicken sent out to 'pass off' as a meal?" asked Counsel.

"Yes" answered witness amid a roar of laughter.

Mr. Jenkin:—I don't think he understands me, your Worship.

His Worship asked how many journeys the chicken had made, and witness replied that it had been sent out only once.

His Worship reserved his decision until Saturday morning, next week.

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The Whole of His Valuable Household Furniture comprising:

Teak Hatstand, Old Foochow Lacquered Cabinet, Foochow Tables and Chairs, Cossy Corners, Fancy Carved Tables and Chairs, Carved Wooden Screens, Morocco Covered Easy Chairs, Oil Paintings on Teak, Five Brasses, Hand Woven Curtains, Persian Rugs, Tientsin Carpet, etc., etc.

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Twin Brass Mounted Iron Bedsteads, Shanghai made Wardrobes, Chest-of-Drawers, Foochow Opium Divan, Large Zinc Bath and Geyser, etc.

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PUBLIC COMPANIES

NOTICE

PEAK TRAMWAYS CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong on Tuesday, 25th May, 1915, at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th April, 1915.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 20th instant to the 27th instant both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 14th May, 1915.

CONSIGNEES

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
From UNITED KINGDOM & STRAITS.

The Steamship **"MONMOUTHSHIRE,"** having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence, and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 25th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on 25th instant at 9.30 a.m. Claims against the steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.**

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Hongkong, 18th May, 1915.

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Cargo impeding discharge will be landed immediately at consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board May 18th, 1915 at noon will be subject to landing charges and if undelivered May 24th, 1915 at noon will be subject to both landing and storage charges.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's Godown May 21st, 1915 at 10 a.m.

No claims will be entertained unless accompanied by short delivery note or list of exceptions taken at the time of delivery to consignees and signed for and on behalf of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co.

All claims must be filed on or before June 3rd, 1915, otherwise they will not be recognized.

D. C. MORTON,
Agent.
Hongkong, 17th May, 1915.

PUBLIC COMPANIES.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Twenty-Sixth Ordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Company's offices, St. George's Buildings, on Saturday, the 22nd May, 1915, at 12 o'clock Noon for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 28th February, 1915, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 8th May to the 22nd May both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
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Hongkong, 4th May, 1915.

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Hongkong, March 12, 1915

BUTCHER MEAT

Beef Sirloin—Mei Lung Pa	lb.	19
Prime Cut—	lb.	21
Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk	lb.	19
Roast—Shiu	lb.	19
Breast—Ngau Lam	lb.	17
Soup—Tong Yuk	lb.	15
Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa	lb.	20
do.—Sirloin—Ngau Lau	lb.	30
Sausages—Ngau Cheung	lb.	24
Butter—No	per set	10
Tongue, fresh—Ngau Li	each	50
do.—Ham Ngau Li	each	60
Head—Ngau Tau	lb.	1.00
Heart—Ngau Sam	lb.	14
Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin	lb.	20
Feet—Ngau Keuk	each	11
Kidneys—Ngau Yiu	lb.	11
Tail—Ngau Mei	lb.	18
Liver—Ngau Kon	lb.	13
Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To	lb.	6
Calves' Head & Feet—Ngau-tai-tau-keuk	set	1.00
Mutton Chop—Yeung Poi Kwat	lb.	25
Leg—Yeung Poi	lb.	25
Shoulder—Yeung Shau	lb.	24
Saddle—	lb.	27
Pigs Chittlings—Chu Chong	lb.	24
Brains—Chu No	per set	24
Feet—Chu Keuk	lb.	13
Fry—Chu Chap	lb.	15
Head—Chu Tau	lb.	16
Heart—Chu Sam	each	18
Kidneys—Chu Yiu	lb.	23
Liver—Chu Kon	lb.	24
Pork Chop—Chu Pai Kwat	lb.	28
Corned—Ham Chu Yuk	lb.	20
Leg—Chu Pei	lb.	20
Fat or Lard—Chu Yau	lb.	20
Sheeps' Head and Feet—Yeung Tau Keuk	set	60
Heart—Yeung Sam	each	8
Kidneys—Yeung Yiu	lb.	26
Liver—Yeung Kon	lb.	22
Sucking Pigs, to order—Chu Tsai	lb.	20
Suet, Beef—Shang Ngau Yau	lb.	26
Mutton—Shang Yeung Yau	lb.	19
Veal—Ngau Tsai Yuk	lb.	20
Sausages—Ngau Tsai Cheung	lb.	20
Lard—Chu Yau	lb.	20

POULTRY:

Chicken—Kai Tsai	lb.	35
Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai	lb.	34
Ducks—Ap	lb.	32
Doves—Fan Kau	lb.	18
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan (cooking)	per doz	20
(fresh)—	per doz	36
Fowls, Canton—Kai	lb.	42
Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	lb.	30
Geese—Ngo	lb.	24
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kap	each	28
Hoihow—Hoi How Pak Kap	each	25
Snipe—Sha Tsui	each	22
Turkeys, Cook—Fo Kai Kung	lb.	60
Hen—Na	lb.	45
Pheasant—Shan Kai	lb.	75
Quail—Om Chun	lb.	25
Partridges—Che Ku	lb.	65

FISH:

Barbel—Ka Yu	lb.	16
Bream—Pin Yu	lb.	18
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu	lb.	15
Carp—Li Yu	lb.	20
Catfish—Chik Yu	lb.	12
Codfish—Mun Yu	lb.	14
Crabs—Hai	lb.	26
Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu	lb.	16
Dab—Sha Mang Yu	lb.	12
Dace—Wong Mei Lap	lb.	13
Dog Fish—Tui To Sha	lb.	10
Eels, Conger—Hoi Man	lb.	13
Fresh water—Tam Sui Yu	lb.	18
Eels, Yellow—Wong Sin	lb.	32
Frogs—Tin Kai	lb.	33
Garoupa—Shek Pan	lb.	40
Gudgeon—Pak Kap Yu	lb.	16
Herrings—Tao Pak	lb.	20
Halibut—Cheung Kwan Kap	lb.	18
Labrus—Wong Fa Yu	lb.	18
Loach—Wu Yu	lb.	28
Lobsters—Lung Ha	lb.	28
Mackerel—Chi Yu	lb.	20
Monk Fish—Mong Yu	lb.	16
Millet—Chai Yu	lb.	12
Oysters—Shang Ho	lb.	22
Parrot Fish—Kai Kung Yu	lb.	12
Perch—Tau Lo	lb.	18
Pike—Pa Pau Fong	lb.	16
Plaice—Pan Yu	lb.	15
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong	lb.	28
Pomfret, White—Pak Chong	lb.	28
Prawns—Ming Ha	lb.	38
Ray—Pai Pa Sha	lb.	10
Rock Fish—Shek Kai Kung	lb.	15
Roach—Chun Yu	lb.	12
Salmon—Ma Yau	lb.	38
Shark—Sha Yu	lb.	7
Slate—Pu Yu	lb.	25
Shrimps—Hoi	lb.	25
Snapper—Lap Yu	lb.	28
Soles—Tat Sha Yu	lb.	26
Tench—Wai Yu	lb.	18
Turbot—Cho How Yu	lb.	18
Turtles, small, fresh water—Kau Yu	lb.	60

FRUITS:

Almonds—Bang Yan	lb.	35
Apples (California)—Kam Shan Ping Kho	lb.	18
(Ohio)—Tse Chuan Ping Kho	lb.	18

肉食

Bananas, fragrant, Canton—San Shing Heung Chin lb.	3
(brides), Macao—San Heung Chin	3
Chestnuts, Chinese—Foong Lut	12
Carambola—Yeung To	12
Coconuts—Ye Tse	each 12
Grapes—Po Tai Tsz	lb. 30
Lemons, China—Ling Mong	8
America—Kam Shan Ling Mong	10
Lichees Dried—Lai Chi, small Stone	lb. 28
Fresh	8
Oranges, (Canton)—Shan-shang Tim Ching	5
(Sweet)	8
Pears, (American)—Kiu San Shool Lay	10
(Canton), Cookia—Sha Li	10
Peanuts—Fa Shang	10
Plantain—Tai Chiu	10
Plums—Swatow, Hung Lai	14
Pumelo, Siam—Chim Lo Yau	each 14
Shanghai—Lo Kwat	15
Walnuts—Hop To	lb. 15
Green—Sang Hop Tuo	each 15
Water Melon—(Am.) Kom San Sai Kra	each 15

VEGETABLES, etc.

Artichokes, Shanghai—Sheung-hoi Ah Chi	lb. 8
Chauk	lb. 8
Beans, (French), Macao—Oh Moon Pin Tau	8
(French) Shanghai—Sheung Hai Pin	8
Sprout—Ah Choi	10
Long—Tau Kok	each 10
Beet Root—Hung Choi Tau	each 8
Butter Squash—Fu Kwa	8
Brinjals, Green—Ching Yuen Kwa	8
Red—Hung Ke	8
Cabbage, Chinese, (common)—Ka—Taoi	lb. 10
Cabbage, Shanghai—Ye Tsai	14
Cane Shoots, bunch—Kau Shun	8
Carrots—Kam Shan	lb. 8
Celery, Chinese—Tong Kan Tsai	8
Chillies Dried—Kon Lap Chiu	25
Red—Hung Fa Chin	10
Green—Ching Lap Chiu	8
Curry Stuff, English—Ka Li Chu Liu	10
Cucumbers—Ching Kwa	each 2
Garlic—Sun Tau	lb. 8
Ginger, young—Sun Tse Keung	6
old—Lo Keung	9
Horse Radish, Shanghai—Lik Kan	12
Indian Corn—Suk Mai	each 12
Lettuce—Yeung Shang Tsai	1
Water Chestnuts—Ma Tai	lb. 6
Mandarin—Kwai Lam Ma Tai	8
Mushrooms, Fresh—Shang Oho Ko	35
Musk Melon, Amer.—Kam-san Hong Kwa	each 15
Okra	lb. 15
Onions Bombay—Yeung Chong Tau	8
Green—Shang Chong	8
Shanghai—Sheung-hoi Chong Tau	7
Parsley—Kun Tsai	lb. 8
Green Peas—Ching Tau	lb. 1
Potatoes, Sweet—Fan Shu	3
Shanghai—Sheung-hoi Shu Tsai	3
Japan—Yut Pan Shu Tsai	3
American—Pa Ki Shu Tsai	8
Foochow—Tao-chow Shu Tsai	3
Pumpkin—Tong Kwa	3
Radish—Hung Lo Pak Tsai	5
Rhubarb (Fresh)—Tai Wong	1
Sage—Tse So	8
Shallots—Kon Ching Tau	8
Spinach—Yin Tsai	5
Tomatoes—Kan Ke	6
Taro—Wu Tau	6
Turnips, Punt, (Long)—Lo Pak	4
English—Yeung Lo Pak	4
Vegetable Marrow—Chit Kwa	4
(American)—Kam-san Chit Kwa	12
Water Cress—Sai Yeung Tsai	6
Lily root—Lin Ngan	6
Yam—Ta Shu	6
English—Yeung Kan Choi	1

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Labrus—Wong Fa Yu	lb.	18
Loach—Wu Yu	lb.	28
Lobsters—Lung Ha	lb.	28
Mackerel—Chi Yu	lb.	20
Monk Fish—Mong Yu	lb.	16
Millet—Chai Yu	lb.	12
Oysters—Shang Ho	lb.	22
Parrot Fish—Kai Kung Yu	lb.	12
Perch—Tau Lo	lb.	18
Pike—Pa Pau Fong	lb.	16
Plaice—Pan Yu	lb.	15
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong	lb.	28
Pomfret, White—Pak Chong	lb.	28
Prawns—Ming Ha	lb.	38
Ray—Pai Pa Sha	lb.	10
Rock Fish—Shek Kai Kung	lb.	15
Roach—Chun Yu	lb.	12
Salmon—Ma Yau	lb.	38
Shark—Sha Yu	lb.	7
Slate—Pu Yu	lb.	25
Shrimps—Hoi	lb.	25
Snapper—Lap Yu	lb.	28
Soles—Tat Sha Yu	lb.	26
Tench—Wai Yu	lb.	18
Turbot—Cho How Yu	lb.	18
Turtles, small, fresh water—Kau Yu	lb.	60

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of maximum charges fixed by Proclamation as revised up to 30th ult. The Proclamation also contained the following schedule of maximum retail prices:—			
1. Flour :—			
(a) Highest Grade, per bag of 50 lbs.,	...	...	\$4.50
per lb.,	...	...	.10
(b) Second Grade, per bag of 50 lbs.,	...	...	4.00
per lb.,	...	...	.08
(c) Third Grade, per bag of 50 lbs.,	...	...	3.50
per lb.,	...	...	.0
2. Tinned Milk :—			
(a) Sweetened Condensed Milk, per 1 lb. tin,	...	...	.35
(b) Unsweetened Condensed Milk, per 1 lb. tin,	...	...	.25
(c) Sterilized Milk, per tin, (18 oz.),	...	...	.95
(d) Sterilized Milk, per 1 litre tin,	...	...	.35
(e) Eagle Brand, per 1 lb. tin,	...	...	.33
(f) Skimmed Milk, per 1 lb. tin	...	...	.20
3. Sugar :—			
Cube, (in 6 lb. tins), per tin,	...	...	1.15
Refined Crystallized, per lb.,14
Granulated, per lb.,14
Soft, No. 1 quality, per lb.,13
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Cooking Salt, 2 cents per lb.			
4. Frozen Meat:—			
The Dairy Farm prices for frozen food and other stores published on 1st September, 1914, with all changes in prices shown in ink, are the maximum retail prices for the articles enumerated in the price list of that date. [Approved copies signed by the Chairman and the Secretary of the Food Committee can be seen either at the Treasury or on the premises of the Dairy Farm Company Wyndham Street.]			
5. Market Produce:—(See above)			
6. The prices of provisions imported from countries other than China (excepting those above enumerated) may not be raised more than 15 per cent. above the retail prices prevailing in the Colon on the 25th July, 1914.			
-Note.—In consideration of the loss sustained by discount on a subsidiary coinage, payable for all articles of food not exceeding in value (excepting the articles enumerated in clause 5 in Proclamation No. 18 of the 30th October, 1914, and in the above Schedule) shall be made in subsidiary coin be subject to an additional charge of 15 per cent.			

